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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, DC 20231

Applicants request that the above-referenced application be amended by incorporating by reference the enclosed paper copy of the Sequence Listing, intended to replace the previously filed paper copy of the Sequence Listing.

The enclosed paper copy of the Sequence Listing is identical to the last-filed computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed in the parent application 09/457,046 (filed on 7 December 1999, which issued as U.S. Pat. No. 6,287,835 on 11 September 2001, and of which the instant application is a divisional). No sequence information has been added to or deleted from the enclosed paper copy. Therefore, this Preliminary Amendment does not affect the scope of the pending claims, and does not introduce any new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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